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THE EGYPTIAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

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SENATOR THOMAS J. DODD (of Connecticut -- co-editor):

Western intelligence sources have now disclosed that the largest and most elaborate spy network in the world today, in proportion to the size of the country, is the Egyptian intelligence service run by President Nasser. In its early days it was developed as an internal security force to aid Nasser in overthrowing the first chief of the Egyptian revolution, Nasser's then boss, General Najuib.

Nasser briefly utilized America's CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY and over the past several years, the Soviet KGB, to train his agents in the modern techniques of espionage. The Egyptian Service, embracing five separate agencies, each reporting directly to Nasser, is now considered to be responsible for spying activities in some 18 countries -- 12 of them in Africa -- which led to the expulsion in recent years of Egyptian diplomats for subversive activities.

Since the 1960 assassination of Jordan's Prime Minister, the Egyptian Intelligence Service, or BIS has master-minded terrorism and assassination, illicit gun-running and contraband activities in Aden, South Arabia, Yemen, Syria, Jordan, Iraq, Lebanon, the Congo, Ethiopia, Tunisia, the Sudan, and half a dozen other countries. In Aden alone, some 80 British officials and their families, plus a few sympathetic Arabs have been assassinated, and more than 600 have been wounded in machine-gun, hand grenade and bomb attacks. Local headquarters for the terrorism of Southern Arabia and Aden is a former palace -- (NAME UNCLEAR) of Yemen, in the city of Taiz.

Forty-five days of instruction in the use of plastic explosives, the setting of land mines, and other guerrilla tactics are given agents in training. Behind all the Egyptian subversion is the Soviet Union, which is credited with planning the intrigues

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that have recently involved attacks upon the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Jordan, the Sudan, and Libya. Nasser aides have privately expressed the fear of late, that Egyptian intelligence service, created by their leader may some day become so bold, it will turn against Nasser himself. There have been reports in the past year that Nasser's hold over his own subversive agents is slipping, and he has purposely directed the five sub-agencies to investigate each other in an effort to maintain his own hold on the reins of power.

In the meantime, the Egyptian espionage network has become a willing and effective tool for extending communist plans and influence throughout the Middle East and Africa.